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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-21 (canceled)

Claims 22-82 (withdrawn)

Claim 83 (new): A filter assembly, comprising:

(a) a housing having an inlet and an outlet; and

(b) at least one media disposed within the housing between the inlet and the

outlet;

wherein the filter assembly is adapted to detachably attach to a spray attachment

having a spray head and a spray hose assembly having at least one spray hose and a spray hose

coupling;

wherein the media comprises at least one uniform region of substantially pure

copper, the copper media having a particle size of about 120 mesh and a density of about 3.5

grams per cubic centimeter.

Claim 84 (new): The filter assembly of Claim 83 wherein the copper media extends to at

least about one-half of the space within the housing.

Claim 85 (new): The filter assembly of Claim 83 wherein the inlet is configured to

detachably attach to a hose shank in a faucet assembly.

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assembly 100 may have a fitting (not shown) that attaches to the spray hose 30 that supplies filtered water to the spray head 12.

FIG. [[9]] 10 depicts an embodiment of a faucet assembly which is not configured to receive the spray attachment 10. The filter assembly 100 connects to the cold water supply line 142 in the same manner as described for FIG. [[8]] 9A, except that the pipe cap 164 is not needed because the coupler tee 150 does not have a hose shank 154.

Please replace the paragraphs beginning at page 12, line 8 and ending at page 13, line 21 with the following amended paragraphs:

In another embodiment depicted in FIGs. 1011, 1112A and 1112B, the spray attachment 10 may dispense hot water from the spray position 40 and cold water from the stream position 38. One skilled in the art would recognize that the stream and spray positions 38 and 40, respectively, may be designated as other positions including but not limited to hot and cold water positions. When the selector valve 36 is in the stream position 38, cold water dispenses through the stream spout 42 on the spray body 20. When the selector valve 36 is in the spray position 40, hot water dispenses through the spray spout 44 of the spray body 20. In this embodiment, the spray hose assembly 14 includes a hot water spray hose 180 having an anterior end 182 and a posterior end 184 and a cold water spray hose 186 having an anterior end 188 and a posterior end 190. One skilled in the art would recognize that the following embodiments may be utilized with any type of faucet assembly including but not limited to the embodiments depicted in FIGs. 7-9 8-10.

The spray hoses 180 and 186, respectively, may be aligned either parallel or coaxial to one another. FIG. 1011 depicts hot and cold water spray hoses 180 and 186, respectively, that